MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) Some of the owners of the adjoining lands have given statements agreeing to surrender the lands required for the road free of compensation.

(*d*) Under instructions from Government as well as on the requisition of the P. W. D.

(*e*) Statements from some of the landowners were obtained in Kanni and Tulam 1108 and from some others in Meenam and Medam 1111.

(*f*) The interested parties have stated that they have set back the fences and cleared the lands at their own cost and as per alignment and directions of the P. W. D.

(*g*) Yes, some have given written consent.

(*h*) No, because written consent has still to be obtained from some landowners.

(*i*) No.

(*j*) Yes. The estimate and plans for the work have been received. Government have considered the representations and orders have been issued for making provision for the purpose in the budget for 1113.

Poovanakadavu bridge at Mallapally.

285. *MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any land had been acquired for Poovanakadavu bridge at Mallappally;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the amount of money spent; and

(*c*) whether any estimate is prepared for that bridge?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) A sum of Rs. 1,385-16-12 has been awarded as compensation for the lands acquired.

(*c*) Yes an estimate for Rs. 1,17,000 has been sanctioned.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): With reference to the answer to part (*c*) of the question, may I know when the estimate was sanctioned?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): In 1932.

Drainage facilities in Tazhakkara pakuthi.

286. *MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Irrigation officers have investigated into the necessity of giving drainage facilities for the cultivation of the Vettiyur, Tazhakkara, Pulimel, Patikkad and Peruvayalichal *punja* lands in Tazhakkara *pakuthi*, Mavelikara taluk; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the result of such investigation?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) & (*b*) Investigation is being conducted.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : May I know from Government how long this investigation has been conducted ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : One investigation was conducted some years ago by the Quilon Division Road Engineer and a subsequent investigation was conducted by the Irrigation Sub Division Officer. Recently, after local enquiry, investigation is being conducted by the local Sub Division Officer, since the last meeting of the Assembly.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : Are these investigations anywhere near completion ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : They are being conducted, and they will surely be completed as early as possible.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : At whose instance were these investigations started ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : These investigations were started as a result of petitions from the cultivators of these *punja lands*.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : What I ask is, whether the position is that the investigations were started at the instance of the ryots or at the instance of the officers concerned ?

PRESIDENT : Mr. Krishna Pillai's voice is particularly low to-day.

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Investigations were started under the orders of Government.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : Was it on the motion of the ryots I ask ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

The Land Colonization Scheme.

287. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many acres of land have been declared available for land colonization till date (10-2-1112) since the passing of the Land Colonization Scheme ; and

(*b*) how many applications have been received up till now for the grant of land for such colonies ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) :

(*a*) Nil.

(*b*) Two.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know from Government when the Land Colonization Scheme was sanctioned by Government ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : No particular Land Colonization Scheme was sanctioned by Government. There were rules in the old Puduval rules provided for such schemes.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know when those rules were framed ?

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